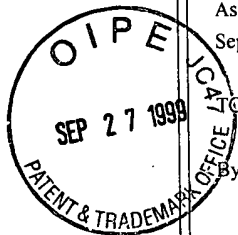


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

MARTIN FINSTERWALD

Application No. 08/783,372

Filed: January 13, 1997

For: METHOD OF BUILDING UP A
DATA BANK CONTAINING
CUSTOMER DATA AND/OR THE
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Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated March 23, 1999 for three months, from June 23, 1999 to September 23, 1999.

Please charge the fee of \$435 to Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please charge any additional fees which may be due during the pendency of this application or credit overpayment to the above deposit account. This Petition is submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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